

**Public Notice of an Informational Meeting and Opportunity to Comment on a  
Proposed Amendment and Extension to the Environmental Cooperative Agreement  
between the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Cook Composites and  
Polymers Co (CCP), located at 340 Railroad Street, Saukville, Wisconsin**

Pursuant to Section 299.80, Wis. Stats., the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is proposing to amend and extend the Environmental Cooperative Agreement dated October 1, 2001 with Cook Composites and Polymers Co. (CCP) under the Environmental Cooperation Pilot Program.

The CCP Saukville facility manufactures polyester and alkyd resins used in a variety of applications including coatings, sanitary, building materials, automotive, infrastructure, and marine industries. The facility, located approximately 25 miles north of Milwaukee, employs approximately 60 full-time employees.

**Summary of the proposed amendment to the Agreement**

CCP volunteered to help Wisconsin DNR pilot new approaches to environmental regulation through the Environmental Cooperation Pilot Program and both signed a 5-year Agreement on October 1, 2001. CCP and DNR are amending the Agreement, as allowed in the enabling legislation. This amended Environmental Cooperative Agreement provides the framework for CCP and DNR to identify, prioritize, allocate or leverage public, private and academic resources to support CCP in its Saukville and CCP enterprise-level initiatives toward *Superior Environmental Performance* and community sustainability.

Vision Statements jointly developed by CCP and DNR for this Agreement:

- 1. Utilizing the framework of its integrated management system, CCP Saukville reduces its environmental footprint and achieves continual improvement toward operations excellence, superior environmental performance, and sustainability.*
- 2. CCP, DNR and others collaborate to foster sustainable communities in Saukville, Ozaukee County, southeastern Wisconsin and the entire state by creating environmental improvements that also result in business and governmental efficiencies.*
- 3. Together, CCP and DNR drive market-based environmental solutions and improvement.*

**Proposed extension of the Agreement**

Pursuant to Section 299.80(6e), Wis. Stats., the Department also proposes to renew and extend the Agreement *as amended* for 5 years, through September 30, 2011. If the Agreement is not extended, it will expire on October 1, 2006.

**About the Environmental Cooperation Pilot Program**

The Environmental Cooperation Pilot Program (Program) was passed by the Wisconsin State Legislature as part of the 1997 – 1999 Biennial Budget. It is designed to evaluate innovative environmental regulatory methods including whole-facility regulation. It encourages the use of systematic assessments of all environmental impacts from facilities, and is designed to focus on reducing pollution in an efficient and cost effective manner. The Program provides increased flexibility for pilot facilities that not only maintain existing levels of environmental protection, but also go beyond and provide superior environmental performance. Furthermore, the Program encourages substantial public participation by those affected by the activities at the facility.

### **Opportunity for public to comment**

There is a 30-day public comment period associated with the proposed amendment and extension to the Environmental Cooperative Agreement, which will end August 25, 2006. During the 30-day public comment period, DNR will accept written comments from the public regarding the proposed amendment and extension. Submit comments by US mail, fax, or e-mail to Lynn Persson, the DNR project manager (see the contact information provided below).

### **Notice of public informational meeting**

DNR and CCP staff will provide information and be available for questions and comments on the proposed amendment and extension to the Agreement at the public informational meeting.

When: Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm  
Where Village of Saukville's Municipal Center, Community Room,  
639 E. Green Bay Ave., Saukville, Wisconsin.

### **How DNR will make a final decision on the proposed actions**

In making a final decision on the proposed amendment and extension of the Agreement, DNR will review and consider all public comments received within the 30-day public comment period. In consultation with the project manager and other staff, the DNR Secretary will decide whether further amendment of the Environmental Cooperative Agreement is necessary. If further amendment is deemed necessary, DNR will seek the consent of CCP for any such change. Pursuant to ss. 299.80(7)(b) and (6e), Wis. Stats., DNR may only amend and extend this Agreement with the consent of CCP.

A decision by the Department to amend and extend an Agreement is not subject to review under ch. 227, Wis. Stats. The Agreement itself, once amended, is subject to review under ch. 227, Wis. Stats. To request a contested case hearing pursuant to s. 227.42, Wis. Stats., a person has 30 days after the Agreement is amended to serve a petition for hearing upon the Secretary of the DNR. A request for contested case hearing should be made in accordance with s. NR 2.05(5), Wis. Adm. Code. The filing of a request for contested case hearing is not a prerequisite for judicial review under ch. 227, Wis. Stats., and does not extend the time limits for filing a petition for judicial review.

### **Additional information available**

Copies of the proposed amendment, the original Agreement, and fact sheets describing each can be accessed via the Internet at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cea/ecpp/> or by contacting the DNR project manager, Lynn Persson. For any other information about the proposed amendment or extension to the Agreement, please contact one of the following:

- Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Lynn Persson, Project Manager, CO/7, PO Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921 Email: [Lynn.Persson@dnr.state.wi.us](mailto:Lynn.Persson@dnr.state.wi.us) (P) 608-267-3763 , (F) 608-267-9305
- Cook Composites and Polymers, Mike Gromacki, Manufacturing Director, Composites, P.O. Box 419389, Kansas City, MO 64141-6389 (P) 816-391-6011, (F) 816-391-6093
- Cook Composites and Polymers, Glenn Preisler, Plant Manager, Saukville, 340 Rail Road Street, Saukville, WI 53080 , Email: [preisler@ccponline.com](mailto:preisler@ccponline.com) (P) 262-268-3395, (F) 262-284-0593

Reasonable requests for the information in an alternate format will be provided to qualified individuals with disabilities.

For the Secretary:

/s/ Mark McDermid  
Mark McDermid, Director  
Bureau of Cooperative Environmental Assistance

07/24/2006  
Date